


REMARKS

The purpose of this Preliminary Amendment is to eliminate multiple dependent claims in order to avoid the additional fee. Applicants reserve the right to reintroduce claims to canceled combined subject matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

Claims 4-5 and 7-9 have been amended as follows:

4. (Amended) Medium according to Claim 1 ~~or 2~~, characterized in that the proportion of compounds of the formula I in the mixture as a whole is from 5 to 50% by weight.

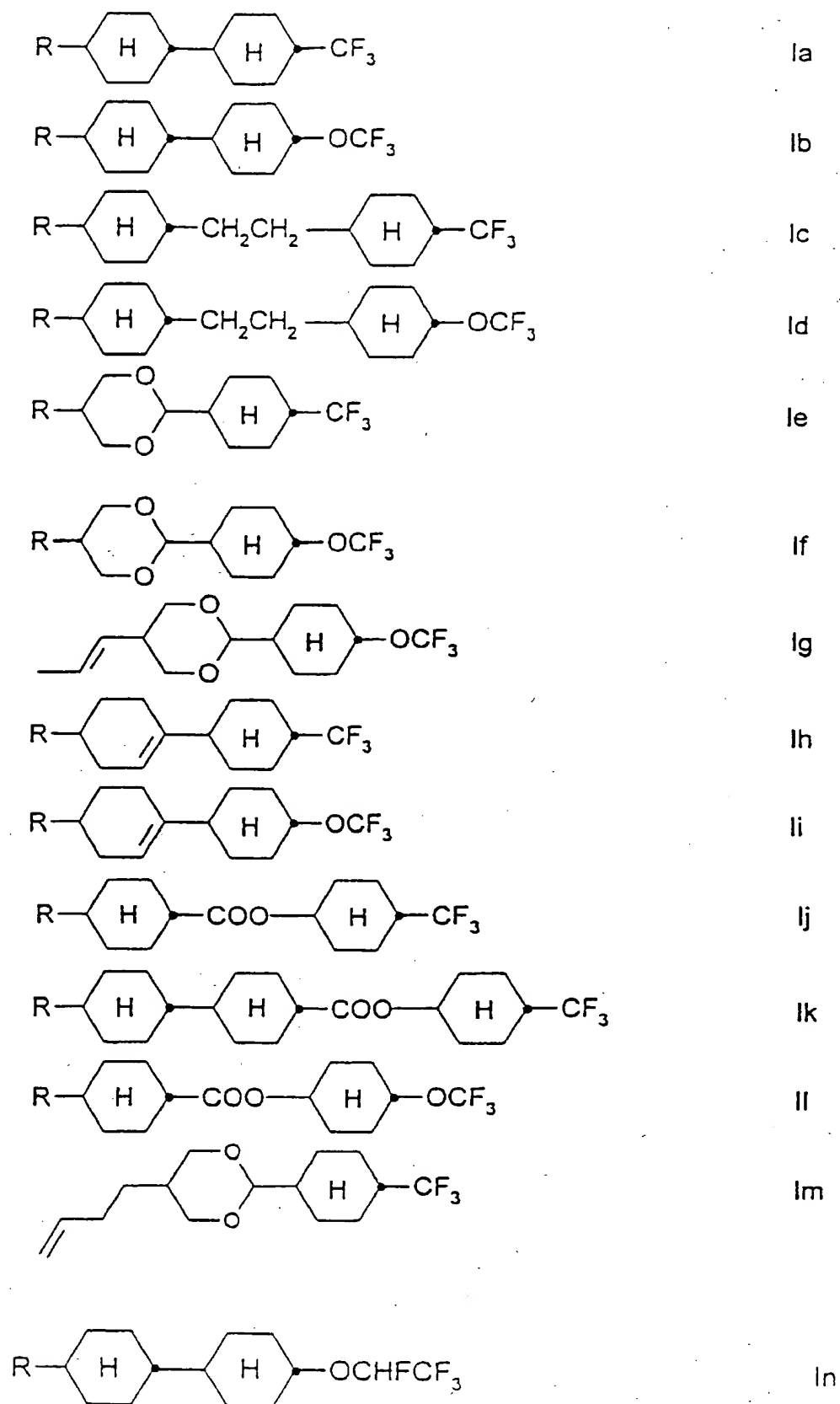
5. (Amended) Medium according to ~~at least one of~~ Claims 2 ~~to 3~~, characterized in that the proportion of compounds of the formulae II to VIII in the mixture as a whole is from 20 to 80% by weight.

7. (Amended) Medium according to Claim 2 ~~or Claim 6~~, characterized in that X^0 is F or OCF_3 , and Y^2 is H or F.

8. (Amended) Medium according to ~~one of~~ Claims 1 ~~to 7~~, characterized in that, in the compound of the formula I, Y is OCF_3 or CF_3 .

9. (Amended) Medium according to ~~one of~~ Claims 1 ~~to 8~~, characterized in that the compound of the formula I is selected from the group consisting of the compounds Ia to In:

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in which R is as defined in Claim 1.